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mIN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEHon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [ ] continuation  
[X] divisional application under 37 CFR 1.60, of pending  
prior application serial no. 08/346,066 filed on November  
29, 1994, of Goran Lukic for Stent with a Covering Layer of  
Elastic Material and Methods for Applying the Layer on the  
Stent.

1. [X] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application,  
including the oath or declaration as originally  
filed and an affidavit or declaration verifying  
it as a true copy.
2. [X] The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION, LESS ANY  
CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

<u>FOR</u>	<u>NUMBER</u> <u>FILED</u>	<u>NUMBER</u> <u>EXTRA</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>BASIC FEE</u> <u>\$750.00</u>
Total Claims	<u>8</u>	-20 = <u>0</u>	X \$22.00	<u>0.00</u>
Independent Claims	<u>8</u>	- 3 = <u>5</u>	X \$78.00	<u>390.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) fee (\$240.00)				<u>0.00</u>
Total Filing Fee				<u>\$1,140.00</u>

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3. [X] Please charge Deposit Account No. 16-1445 in the amount of \$1,140.00.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment, throughout the pendency of this application to Account No. 16-1445.

4. [X] Cancel in this application original claims 1-13 of the prior application without prejudice or disclaimer of matter contained therein before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

5. [X] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This is a [ ]  
continuation, [X] division, of application serial no. 08/346,066, filed on November 29, 1994, <sup>now US Patent 5,534,287</sup> which is a <sup>division</sup> continuation of application serial no. 08/173,542, filed on December 22, 1993. <sup>now abandoned</sup>

6. [ ] Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May only be used if signed by person authorized by §1.138 and before payment of base issue fee.)

7. [X] Priority of application serial no. 93106646.8 filed on April 23, 1993 in the European Patent Office is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

[X] The certified copy has been filed in prior application serial no. 08/173,542, filed December 22, 1993.

8. [X] The prior application is assigned of record to Schneider (Europe) A.G.
9. [X] The power of attorney in the prior application is to (name, registration number, and address) Peter C. Richardson, Reg. No. 27,526, Pfizer, Inc., 235 East 42nd Street, New York, NY 10017-5755.
- a. [X] The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. [ ] Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. [ ] The undersigned is named in a power of attorney in the prior application.
- d. [X] An Associate Power of Attorney naming the undersigned appears in the prior application serial no. 08/173,542, filed on December 22, 1993.
- e. [X] Address all future communications to Peter C. Richardson, Pfizer Inc., 235 East 42nd Street, New York, New York 10017-5755. (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)
10. [X] A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application).

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11. [X] I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application serial no. 08/346,066 as originally filed on November 29, 1994.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

April 22, 1996  
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And Methods for Applying the Layer on the StentAPPLICANT: Goran Lukic"Express Mail" mailing label number EG049058156USDate of Deposit April 22, 1996

I hereby certify that this paper and the following paper(s) and fee(s) are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and are addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

1. Transmittal Letter (Form M.12) (4 pages);
2. Preliminary Amendment (6 pages);
3. Specification (7 pages);
4. Claims (4 pages);
5. Abstract (1 page);
6. Informal Drawing (1 sheet);
7. Letter Transmitting Formal Drawings (1 sheet);
8. Formal Drawing (1 sheet);
9. Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages);
10. Information Disclosure Statement (5 pages);
11. Form PTO-FB-A820 (5 pages); and
12. Postcard

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In re Divisional Application of: )

GORAN LUKIC )

Parent Examiner: D. DUDASH

Parent Serial No.: 08/346,066 )

Parent Filed: November 29, 1994 )

Parent Art Unit: 1112

For: STENT WITH A COVERING LAYER )  
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LETTER TRANSMITTING FORMAL DRAWINGS

Submitted herewith is one sheet of formal drawings.

Respectfully submitted,

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